

To: Yachats city council

I love that people in Yachats work to create an even better healthier self sufficient dynamic town! As a community member, a business owner and chamber representative I am sending this letter to voice my concerns over the proposal to use space in the commons for a health clinic. Our community center is a place for all kinds of community activities and I applaud the efforts of the city representatives and community members who have made this a viable economically stable diverse facility.

Providing space to a health clinic is a conflict of interest for the city. Providing rental space for a business when other space is available creates unfair competition. I believe there are laws that address this issue.

Utilizing a space in the commons for a long term rental takes away from its ability to be utilized for multiple community functions: art fairs, music festivals, physic fairs etc.

The commons is an integral part of the business community. It provides an outlet for multiple events all year long that complement and enhance our local business. With the addition of the bank building these opportunities could expand several fold and bring monies to all businesses and thereby city coffers as well. A health clinic is a business and should be treated as such. If there were no options available then it would make sense for the city to offer the option of using a city facility. As it stands there are options. It would be irresponsible and unethical to provide space in the commons at this time to a health clinic.

Lots of love to you all
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